

HOUSE RESOLUTION 285
By White

A RESOLUTION to recognize Mr. Joseph Vernon Lay on the occasion of his retirement.

WHEREAS, it is appropriate that the members of this legislative body should honor those citizens who in their years of work have performed with uncommon devotion and enthusiasm; and

WHEREAS, Joseph Lay is one such estimable public servant who has served the good people of Wayne County with probity as Assessor of Property for four terms and sixteen years; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Lay's uncommon skills, professional excellence, dedication to hard work, and commitment to quality have earned him the universal respect and admiration of the citizens of Wayne County, and he will be sorely missed after his retirement on August 31, 2000; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Lay is an active and important part of the Waynesboro community and his profession, participating in numerous civic and governmental service organizations; and

WHEREAS, Joseph Lay also contributes his time and numerous talents as a devout member of the Waynesboro Church of Christ where he serves faithfully as an Elder; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Lay exemplifies the spirit and allegiance to family and community that is characteristic of a true Tennessean; and

WHEREAS, he is fortunate to share companionship and love with his devoted wife, Linda Brewer Lay; and

WHEREAS, he is the proud father of three children, Scarlett Renee Bryant, Victor Hall Lay, and Verna Lynn Lay; and

WHEREAS, in addition to his professional excellence and dedication to public service, Mr. Lay enjoys spending his time in the great outdoors; he takes pleasure in farming, and is also an avid hunter and fisherman; and

WHEREAS, throughout his estimable career, Joseph Lay has demonstrated a remarkable ability to motivate others to reach their potential, winning the unbridled respect and admiration of Wayne Countians from all walks of life; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED FIRST GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, That we extend to Mr. Joseph Vernon Lay our heartfelt wishes for a happy and fulfilling retirement and every continued success in his future endeavors and commend him upon his distinguished tenure as Wayne County Assessor of Property.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.